REMARKS

Claims 1-11, 13, 14, 16-18 and 20 are currently pending in the above-identified application.

Changes to the specification have been made to correct spelling and typographical errors. In response to the election requirement, and following the identifications used by the Examiner, the Applicant elects the species of Figures 1-12 and the sub-species of Figure 3. Currently, claims 1-4, 13, 14, 16 and 17 are readable on the species of Figure 3 (claims 13, 14, 16 and 17 depending of the materials and/or reinforcement of the first elongated shaft).

Claims 5-11, 18 and 20 are indicated above as withdrawn.

The Applicant respectfully requests examination of further claims upon the allowance of a generic claim. Currently, at least claim 1 is generic to multiple species.

Should any questions arise, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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